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SUBJECT: RESIDUAL PRESENCE OF TAIWAN MATERIEL AGENCY
PERSONNEL

REFERENCE: CDRAMC 04215Z JUN 75

1. REFTTEL, WHICH WAS ADDRESSED TO DAO BUT NOT TO EMBASSY, DESCRIBES VISIT TO TAIWAN OF BRIGADIER GENERAL WILLIAM E. EICHER OF ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND (AMC) FROM JUNE 29 TO JULY 1 TO PARTICIPATE IN CEREMONIES MARKING TERMINATION OF TAIWAN MATERIEL AGENCY (TMA) AND DISCUSS PLAN TO RETAIN RESIDUAL AMC PRESENCE ON TAIWAN. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMALLY ADVISED BY SOURCE IN AMC HERE THAT THIS PLAN STEMS FROM ROC REQUEST THAT 7 AMC PERSONNEL REMAIN ON TAIWAN TO ADVISE CHINESE ON OPERATION OF THEIR REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FACILITIES. ROC HAS APPARENTLY OFFERED TO FUND 3 SUCH POSITIONS.

2. WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT WHEN DECISION IS MADE TO TERMINATE UNIT OR ACTIVITY ON TAIWAN IT SHOULD BE DONE COMPLETELY, WITHOUT LEAVING LOOSE ENDS LYING ABOUT. IF
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THERE IS A REAL ROC NEED FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, WE SUGGEST ROC SEEK IT ON COMMERCIAL BASIS WITH CIVILAIN PERSONNEL.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD DISCUSS MATTER WITH MAAG WHICH, WE

UNDERSTAND, SUPPORTS PROPOSAL, WITH VIEW TOWARD KILLING
THE IDEA. KISSINGER

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